



Newsletter

December 2005

Well what a great conference I missed! I know this because of all the feedback I have heard; both personally and via the surveys that participants so helpfully completed. Here are the participants:



We received forty completed surveys which I was tasked to compile. This neat job helped me get a greater feel for how the conference went. The results show that it was very worthwhile and a lot of fun for everyone there.



The majority (36 out of 40 people surveyed) listed networking, fellowship and sharing as the most useful part of the conference which surprised me a little. Michael is clearly a fantastic speaker so I thought he would be the biggest attraction. The actual response reminds me of how much we as God's people need each other.

Mick's message was challenging and inspiring and 29 people listed his talks as most useful. A further 16 listed the workshops in that category. (Some listed more than one thing as most useful.)

Comments included:

- ▽ Liked the balance of spiritual and practical
- ▽ Appreciated the goody bag – very thoughtful
- ▽ Really enjoyed Mick's talks – liked the 'personal challenge' about our own lives – rather than more 'money issues'
- ▽ Thank you for organising, planning and facilitating such a great conference. I really appreciated that you ran to time. The speaker was FANTASTIC...
- ▽ I really enjoyed this seminar. The speaker was great – very motivational, inspiring, moving. The group of people wonderful ...
- ▽ Michael Duncan was the best speaker you could have had for the first gathering of CBNZ. He set a v. good tone for the weekend with his Friday talk. Most enjoyable weekend. Venue excellent – compact and comfortable.

Next conference?

Most of those who completed surveys wanted a conference next year so the ever helpful and supportive committee is already arranging just that. It will be held near Wellington again, as many requested, though not at El Rancho as that is already booked out. The time frame is somewhere in the month of October. We will keep you up to date with details as soon as they become clearer.

What else?

CBNZ committee met together in November. We had a session around what kind of legal identity we need to umbrella CBNZ under and took advice from a wonderful lawyer who has helped us along our path. So we are working towards becoming an Incorporated Society. We'll have completed this by the time we gather at conference in October.

2006 begins with a retreat as the committee gathers together to ask God about his plans for the future of CBNZ. We have some pointers already but want to ensure we hear clearly from our Lord. Please pray for us as we meet on February 20th and 21st.

Christmas greetings

They entered the house and saw the child in the arms of Mary, his mother. Overcome, they kneeled and worshipped him. Mat 2:11

May each one of us be overcome afresh, by the wonder of this God – man who entered our world and became like us. Let us all worship him by renewing our commitment to love him and serve him all of our days. Let us serve as he served, unreservedly and wholeheartedly. Then we too will hear "This is my beloved child with whom I am well pleased."

With much love in Christ to you all,
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